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1.	In directives issued by the Press Office of the GDR Minister President on 20 September 1955, it was stated that the question of the so-called		
	German war criminals to be returned from the discussed in the GDR press. This order was	ne USSR was not to be	
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	Hilde Benjamin, in her position as East German Minister of Justice, had given orders that all war		23/1
	criminals returned from the USSR were to be in East Berlin, Dresden, and Halle. These w	detained in prisons	
	tried again before an East German court. Pr served in the USSR were to be taken into ac	ison terms already	
3.	The same procedure is to be applied to thos		
	Soviet mightary courts because of their participation in the 17 June 1953 uprising. The East Germans are to be convinced by a		
	suitable press campaign about the justifica	tion of this measure.	05.74
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	both Protestant and Catholic circles might:	not agree with this	05.74
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